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| Disposition of Claims | | | | | | |
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| Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. | | | | | | |
| 5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>9-16</u> is/are allowed. | | | | | | |
| 6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-8</u> is/are rejected. | | | | | | |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. | _ ''— ' | | | | | |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or | r election requirement. | | | | | |
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| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | | | | | | |
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| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). | | | | | | |
| 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex | | | | | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | | | | | | |
| | priority under 35 H.S.C. & 110(a) | a-(d) or (f) | | | | |
| 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | | | | | | |
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| application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). | | | | | | |
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| 1) X Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) Interview Summary | (PTO-413) | | | | |
| 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Da | ate | | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Claims 1- 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Beerling et al. (6,592,205).

Beerling et al teach a page-width print head comprising:

Claims 1-8:

the arrangements are in fluid communication with ink inlet channels
(figure 9 teaches substrate 301 upon which a plurality of nozzle
arrangements 205 are disposed, each arrangement 205 comprising rows
of nozzles as seen in figure 2, and each arrangement 205 is in fluid
communication with ink inlets or ducts 113 of figure 9 or ink feed channel
413 of figure 4)

The limitations of the arrangements being the product of an integrated circuit fabrication process and a pattern which is the result of carrying out successive replications of one nozzle arrangement with predetermined rotations and multipliers on a reference grid do not establish any structural limitations other

than nozzle arrangements on a substrate and are in communication with some ink channels. The same can be said for claims 2-8.

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Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 9-16 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

* The primary reasons for allowance for claims 9-16 are the inclusion of the limitations of a method of fabricating printhead comprising the steps of forming a unit cell on a reference grid, the unit cell representing a nozzle arrangement to be fabricated on a substrate, carrying out successive replications on the unit cell with predetermined rotations and multipliers to form a plurality of unit cells on the reference grid. It is these limitations either alone or combined as claimed that have not been taught, found, or suggested by prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lamson D Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-2259. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Talbott can be reached on 571-272-1934. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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